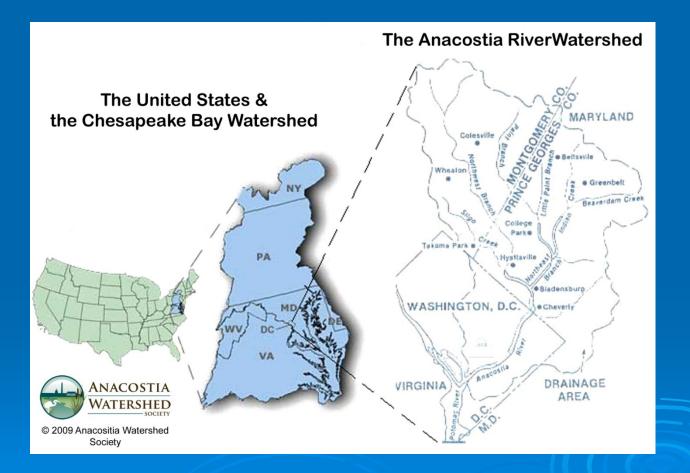
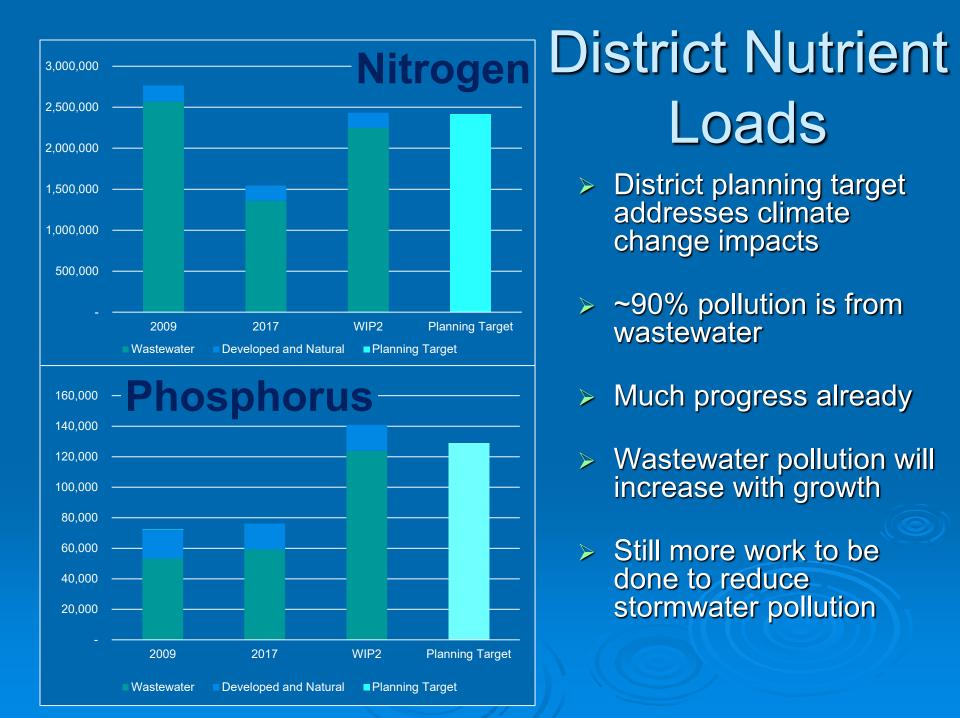
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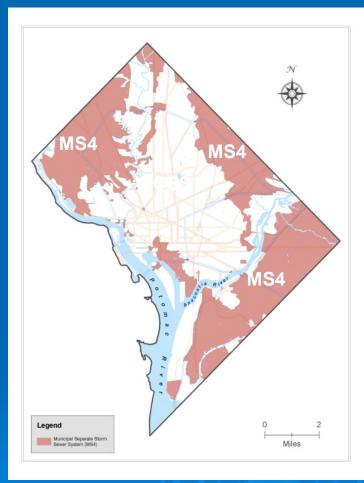
## **Blue Plains WWTP**



\$950 Mil enhanced nitrogen removal completed in 2015
 Meets effluent limit of 4.0 mg/L

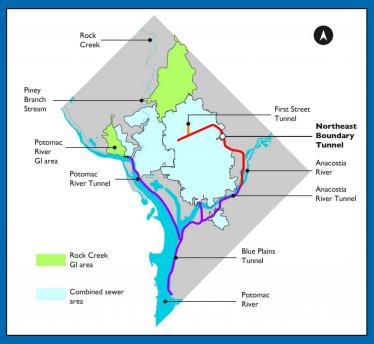
# **Combined Sewer System**

 > 1/3 of the District
 > 3.2B gallons of sewage and stormwater overflows annually (historically)



# **Clean Rivers Project**

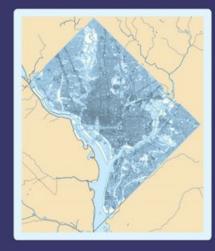
- \$2.6B+ capital project
  Will reduce combined sewer overflows by 96%
- Anacostia Tunnel completed in 2018
   Final completion in 2030





# Stormwater Runoff

#### **IMPERVIOUSNESS**



#### 43% IMPERVIOUS

1.2 INCH STORM= 525 MILLION GALS OF RUNOFF

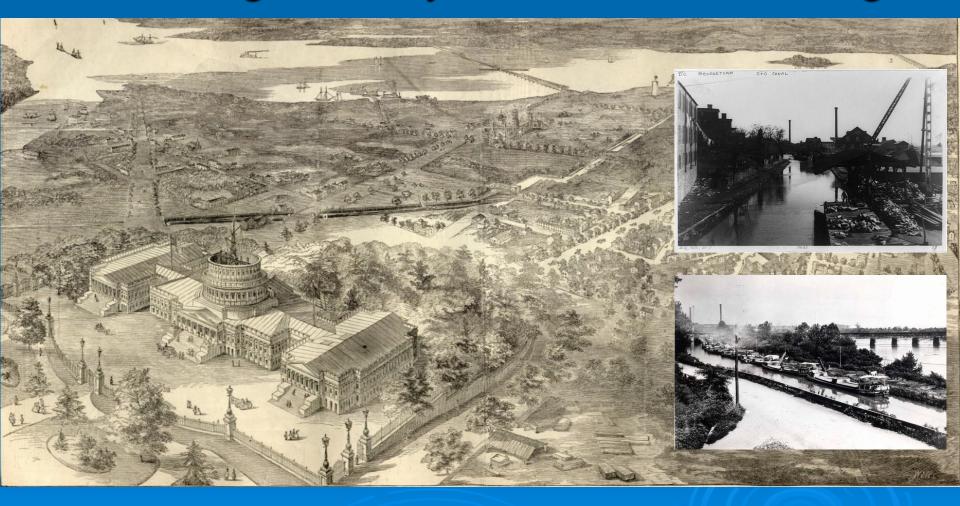


#### **STORMWATER**





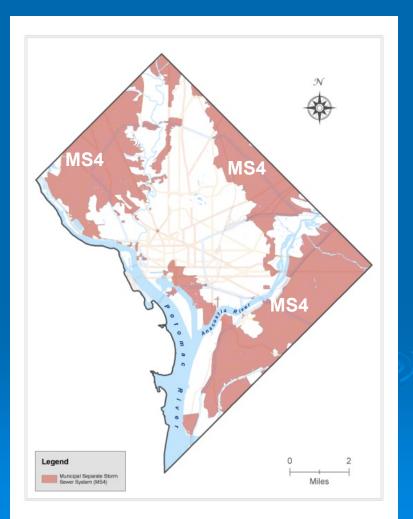
## Challenges Many Years in the Making



# Stormwater Runoff

#### Separate Storm Sewer Sys

- 2/3 of District
- Direct discharge without treatment
- \$7B + GI build-out
- \$10 Mil/yr public funds for GI



# **Stormwater Improvements**

## STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS



TURN BACK THE CLOCK ON DEVELOPMENT

**RETROFIT** IMPERVIOUS SURFACES WITH **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE** 

#### LAYERED PROGRAMS DIRECT PUBLIC INVESTMENT INCENTIVES REGULATIONS



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## **Stormwater Improvements**

#### STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS DIRECT PUBLIC INVESTMENT



TRANSPORTATION RIGHT-OF-WAY PUBLIC BUILDINGS STREAM RESTORATIONS

## **Stormwater Improvements**

## STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS INCENTIVE PROGRAMS



SUBSIDIES FOR PRIVATE SECTOR (RIVERSMART) STORMWATER FEE DISCOUNT PROGRAM STORMWATER RETENTION CREDIT TRADING MARKET

#### **Revised Stormwater Regulations**

- Effective January 2014
- Land-disturbing activities must retain the first 1.2" of rainfall.
- Interior renovation projects must retain the first 0.8" of rainfall.

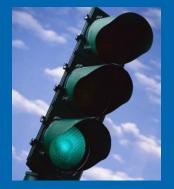






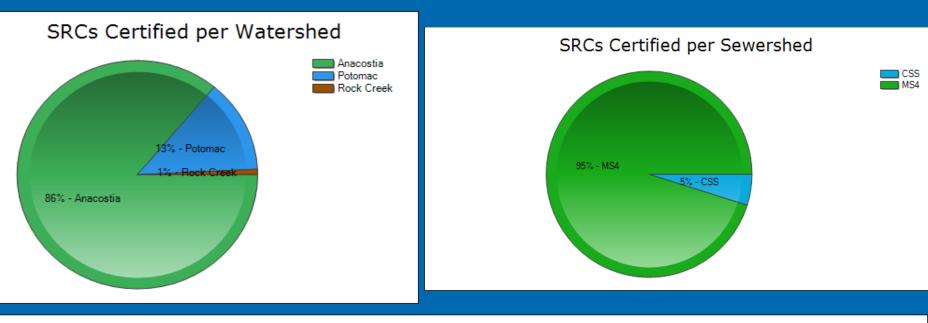
#### Practical Approach: Off-Site Flexibility

- Free to go off site after achieving 50% of required retention on site.
- Off site options include purchase of stormwater retention credits of feein-lieu payments

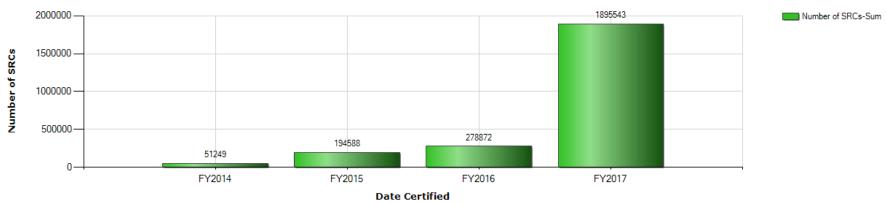




## Stormwater Retention Credits (SRCs)



#### SRCs Certified Each Fiscal Year



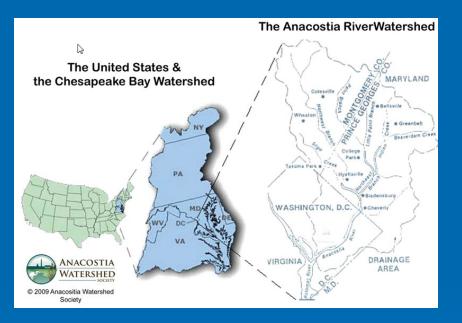
## **Program Results**

- GI is now standard practice
- > 39 SRC trades completed
- Voluntary Private Investments in GI
- > Over 4000 residential properties retrofit
- > Over 3.8 Mil SF of green roof installed
- Forecast that 30% of MS4 impervious surfaces will be retrofit by 2040
- Monitoring demonstrates positive trends





# **Upstream Sources**



- The District of Columbia makes up only:
  - 0.5% of Potomac River Watershed
  - 18% of Anacostia River Watershed
  - 21% of Rock Creek watershed
- Pollution from beyond the District impacts our waters

## **Upstream Sources**

Federal Partnerships Chesapeake Bay Program Urban Waters Initiative Federal Stormwater MOU Regional coordination and collaboration to ensure District programs and efforts are mirrored upstream - Council of Governments

#### **QUESTIONS?**

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Stormwater Plan - dcstormwaterplan.org SRC trading - doee.dc.gov/src Stormwater management regulations - doee.dc.gov/swregs RiverSmart Programs - doee.dc.gov/riversmart

